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SENATOR KREMER: We really don't know. There are dates that they can make a decision. One of those dates was last week, and they didn't. I think March 22...I'm not just sure what they are. I don't have it in front of me right now. But there are other dates, probably once a month, where there are a couple days where they would decide. So it could happen next month. It could happen next June. It could happen July. We don't know. And if it's too late, then we lose everything where we're at now, so that's the problem. We would like to get something on the books now.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Yes, that is a concern of mine also, you know, so that if we want to have something in place, you know, to take up and to keep the ball rolling as far as, you know, the research projects, the advertising projects, the promotion projects, those, I mean, there needs to be some time for this program to be enacted for it to get into place. Maybe the May 15, if we can make a decision at that time, I would be willing to agree with that. But if we're going to come into the same problem that we have on May 15, you know, then I don't know what the reason is, you know, for waiting, except the fact that maybe we can give the opportunity to some of the senators as far as their bills are concerned and discuss them. But I have a real concern that on May 15 we're not going to have any more information than we have today, unless Senator Chambers knows that there's possibility of some information coming up. Maybe I could refer that question to him, if he would respond, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, would you respond?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I will.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: And now you're going to see the Arnie and Ernie performance right now. Do you see anything coming up, you know, before May 15, that would make a decision that would be relevant to the possibility of either passing or killing this one?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, the court would say that the issue is ripe for a decision. The court could hand down a decision. It